

Education and Research Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

Purpose

The Education and Research Advisory Committee provide advice and information to Board on all matters relating to nursing and midwifery education and research in Western Australia.

In supporting the Board to meet its regulatory responsibilities, the Education and Research Advisory Committee shall:

- Develop and regularly review accreditation standards and criteria applicable to education providers and courses that lead to registration as a nurse or midwife in Western Australia
- Assess submissions for accreditation of education providers and courses that lead to registration as a nurse or midwife in WA, to ensure that nurses and midwives are prepared to practice in a safe and competent manner in order to achieve quality health outcomes
- Submit, for Board consideration, final reports and recommendations for accreditation and re-accreditation of education providers and courses that lead to registration as a nurse or midwife in Western Australia
- Advise Board on research priorities and partnerships with academia and industry that relate to professional nursing and midwifery practice
- Review applications for research grants from nurses and midwives and submit recommendations to Board for consideration
- Experts as required, as ex-officio members, may be invited from the Network Advisory Panel to facilitate committee business.

Membership

Members of the Education and Research Advisory Committee shall be appointed from the Network Advisory Panel by the Board and shall consist of:

- Board Members x 2
- Academic (university undergraduate, university postgraduate and TAFE) x 3
- Health Provider Educator x 2 (Private sector and Public sector)
- Clinician (registered nurse, midwife, registered mental health nurse, nurse practitioner and an enrolled nurse) x 5
- Researcher (nurse and midwife) x 2
- Consumer Representative

Ex-officio

Chief Executive Officer

Director Education and Research

Chairperson

The Chairperson shall be appointed by the Board.

Quorum

A quorum shall consist of seven (7) members of the Committee

Frequency of Meetings

Monthly and/or as required

Length of membership

The term of office for a committee member may be for two years with the ability to re-nominate, serving a maximum of three consecutive terms. It is desired no more than 50% of the membership will retire at a given time.

Remuneration and Allowances

Nurses and Midwives Act 2006 Part 2 Division 1 s.9

A member of the Board, or of a committee, is to be paid such remuneration and allowances (if any) as the Minister, on the recommendation of the Minister for Public Sector Management, determines from time to time.

